

Welcome



Welcome to Exeter – Open for business since 1638! We are located in the beautiful seacoast area of Southern New Hampshire, ideally situated 50 miles North of Boston, MA and 50 miles south of Portland, ME along Interstate 95.

Exeter is home to many beautiful natural resources; including Fort Rock Farm, the Exeter/Squamscott River, Swasey Parkway, the Oaklands and Henderson-Swasey Town Forests, Raynes Farm, the Jolly Rand Trail, and the Dolloff Conservation Easement. Exeter enjoys the four seasons with flowers in the spring, beach weather in the summer, beautiful fall foliage, and, ice fishing in winter!

In addition to our natural beauty, Exeter is also a community with a long and storied history. Exeter served as New Hampshire's Revolutionary War Capital. The American Independence Museum in Exeter is caretaker of one of the original versions of the Declaration of Independence. None other than Abraham Lincoln himself gave a speech at the Exeter Town Hall in 1860, five years after its opening. Lincoln's son Robert, attended Phillips Exeter Academy. George Washington once spent a night in our Folsom Tavern on his way through Town. Exeter routinely attracts presidential candidates during the New Hampshire Primary season every four years (some would say every two!)

Exeter is also a community dedicated to a high quality of life and education. Our public school system is consistently rated among the best in New Hampshire. Our community is also home to Phillips Exeter Academy, one of the premier preparatory institutions in the world, founded in 1781.

Residents of Exeter routinely enjoy our historic downtown, our busy Portsmouth Avenue business district, and the Downeaster Train, which includes a stop in Exeter and goes all the way from Brunswick, ME to Boston, MA, every day. Drive through Exeter each day and you'll see busy streets, with people running, walking and biking -- just to get out and enjoy what we have to offer. We have community events year round, including a farmer's market and annual fireworks as part of the AIM Festival. Check our community calendar and you'll find something for just about everyone.

Come see Exeter, we're sure you'll love it as much as we do!

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